

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S9779–S9860*

**Measures Introduced:** Nine bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3027–3035, S.J. Res. 46–47, and S. Res. 332. **Pages S9845–46**

**Measures Passed:**

**National 4-H Youth Development Program Week:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 143, designating October 6, 2002, through October 12, 2002, as “National 4-H Youth Development Program Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to.

**Pages S9783–85**

**Veterans of Foreign Wars:** Senate passed H.R. 3838, to amend the charter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States organization to make members of the armed forces who receive special pay for duty subject to hostile fire or imminent danger eligible for membership in the organization, clearing the measure for the President.

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**AMVETS Charter Amendment:** Senate passed S. 1972, to amend the charter of the AMVETS organization.

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**AMVETS Charter Amendment:** Senate passed H.R. 3214, to amend the charter of the AMVETS organization, clearing the measure for the President.

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**POW/MIA Memorial Flag Act:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1226, to require the display of the POW/MIA flag at the World War II Memorial, the Korean War Veterans Memorial, and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, and the bill was then passed.

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**Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities Prevention Act:** Senate passed S. 2980, to revise and extend the Birth Defects Prevention Act of 1998, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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**21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act Conference Report—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was

reached providing for further consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2215, to authorize appropriations for the Department of Justice for fiscal year 2002, and then began consideration of the conference report, at 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, October 3, 2002, with a vote to occur on the motion to close further debate on the conference report. **Page S9860**

**Executive Reports of Committees:** Senate received the following executive report of a committee:

Report to accompany 1997 Amendment To Montreal Protocol (Treaty Doc. 106–10) and Amendment To Montreal Protocol (“Beijing Amendment”) (Treaty Doc. 106–32) (Ex. Rept. 107–10) **Page S9845**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Lawrence J. Block, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Ronald H. Clark, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas.

Thomas Forrest Hall, of Oklahoma, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

James Knoll Gardner, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

James Franklin Jeffrey, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Albania.

Richard L. Baltimore III, of New York, to be Ambassador of the United States to the Sultanate of Oman.

Martin George Brennan, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zambia.

Vicki Huddleston, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mali.

Donald C. Johnson, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cape Verde.

Jimmy Kolker, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uganda.

Gail Dennise Thomas Mathieu, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Niger.

James Irvin Gadsden, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iceland.

J. Anthony Holmes, of California, to be Ambassador to Burkina Faso.

Aurelia E. Brazeal, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia.

Charles E. Erdmann, of Colorado, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces for the term of fifteen years to expire on the date prescribed by law. **Page S9860**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations: Mark B. McClellan, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services. **Page S9860**

**Messages From the House:** **Page S9844**

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**Adjournment:** Senate met at 9:30 a.m., adjourned at 6:45 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Thursday, October 3, 2002. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9860).

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### AIRLINE VIABILITY

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings to examine airlines viability in the current economic climate, and the financial condition of commercial aviation, industry responses and the affect of competition, after receiving testimony from JayEtta Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, General Accounting Office; Leo Mullin, Delta Air Lines, and Edward Wytkind, Transportation Trades Department (AFL–CIO), both

of Washington, D.C.; and Susan Donofrio, Deutsch Bank Securities Inc., New York, New York.

### POWER PLANT EMISSIONS

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the status and studies of the health impacts of fine particles which result from fuel combustion from motor vehicles, power generation, and industrial facilities, as well as from residential fireplaces and wood stoves, known as PM–2.5, focusing on those effects associated with power plant emissions, after receiving testimony from Jonathan M. Samet, Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, Maryland; Robert M. O'Keefe, Health Effects Institute, Boston, Massachusetts; Ronald E. Wyzga, Electric Power Research Institute, Palo Alto, California; Ben Rose, Green Mountain Club, Inc., Waterbury Center, Vermont; and Jonathan Levy, Harvard University School of Public Health, Boston, Massachusetts.

### STOPPING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee held hearings on S. 2520, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to the sexual exploitation of children, S. 2511/H.R. 4623, to prevent trafficking in child pornography and obscenity, to proscribe pandering and solicitation relating to visual depictions of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct, and to prevent the use of child pornography and obscenity to facilitate crimes against children, and related provisions of the Supreme Court's "Free Speech" decision which struck down portions of the 1996 Child Pornography Protection Act for violating the First Amendment, receiving testimony from Senator Carnahan; Representative Pomeroy; Daniel P. Collins, Associate Deputy Attorney General/Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Justice; Frederick Schauer, Harvard University Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Anne M. Coughlin, University of Virginia School of Law, Charlottesville; and Daniel S. Armagh, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Alexandria, Virginia.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Measures Introduced:** 21 public bills, H.R. 5520, 5522–5541; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 113–115; H. Con. Res. 495–497, and H. Res. 569, were introduced. **Pages H6982–83**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1946, to require the Secretary of the Interior to construct the Rocky Boy's/North Central Montana Regional Water System in the State of Montana, to offer to enter into an agreement with the Chippewa Cree Tribe to plan, design, construct, operate, maintain and replace the Rocky Boy's Rural Water System, and to provide assistance to the North Central Montana Regional Water Authority for the planning, design, and construction of the noncore system (H. Rept. 107–715);

H.R. 5521, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003 (H. Rept. 107–716);

H.R. 5428, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, amended (H. Rept. 107–717); and

H. Res. 568, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 112, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003 (H. Rept. 107–718).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Fosella to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6929**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rabbi Gerald M. Kane, Temple Beth El of Las Cruces, New Mexico. **Page H6929**

**Journal:** Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, Oct. 1 by a yeas-and-nays vote of 343 yeas to 55 nays with 1 voting "present," Roll No. 417. **Page H6930**

**Suspension—Day of Tribute to all Firefighters:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass H. Con. Res. 476, expressing support for the goals and ideas of a day of tribute to all firefighters who have died in the line of duty and recognizing the important mission of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation in assisting family members to overcome the loss of their fallen heroes (agreed to by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 407 yeas with none voting "nay",

Roll No. 428). The concurrent resolution was debated on Oct. 1. **Pages H6930–31**

**Suspension Failed—Houses of Worship Political Speech Protection Act:** The House failed to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 2357, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit churches and other houses of worship to engage in political campaigns (failed to agree to by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 178 yeas to 239 nays, Roll No. 429).

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 1:37 p.m. and reconvened at 2:06 p.m. **Page H6951**

**Marriage Tax Relief:** The House agreed to H. Res. 543, expressing the sense of the House that Congress should complete action on H.R. 4019, making marriage tax relief permanent by a yeas-and-nays vote of 285 yeas to 130 nays, Roll No. 430. H. Res. 547, the rule that provided for consideration of the resolution was agreed to on Sept. 25.

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**Vacancies in the House of Representatives in the Event of a Catastrophe:** The House agreed to H. Res. 559, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that each State should examine its existing statutes, practices, and procedures governing special elections so that, in the event of a catastrophe, vacancies in the House of Representatives may be filled in a timely fashion by a yeas-and-nays vote of 414 yeas with none voting "nay," Roll No. 431. The resolution was considered pursuant to the order of the House of Sept. 26. **Pages H6941–48, H6952–53**

**Motion to Instruct Conferees—Help America Vote Act:** Agreed to the Meek of Florida motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 3295, Help America Vote Act, to take actions as may be appropriate to convene a public meeting of the managers on the part of the House and Senate and to ensure that a conference report is filed prior to October 4, 2002 by a yeas-and-nays vote of 400 yeas to 14 nays, Roll No. 432. **Pages H6948–51, H6953**

**Representative Visclosky Question of Privilege:** The Chair ruled that the resolution offered by Representative Visclosky did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Agreed to table the motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair by a yeas-and-nays vote of 210 yeas to 200 nays, Roll No. 433. **Pages H6954–55**

**Representative Brown of Ohio Question of Privilege:** The Chair ruled that the resolution offered by Representative Brown of Ohio did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Agreed to

table the motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair by a yea-and-nay vote of 212 yeas to 204 nays, Roll No. 434.

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#### **Representative Holden Question of Privilege:**

The Chair ruled that the resolution offered by Representatives Holden did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Agreed to table the motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair by a yea-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 202 nays, Roll No. 435.

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**Representative Obey Question of Privilege:** The Chair ruled that the resolution offered by Representatives Obey did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Agreed to table the motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair by a yea-and-nay vote of 212 yeas to 202 nays, Roll No. 436,

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**Questions of Privilege:** Representative Farr announced his intention to offer a privileged resolution expressing the sense of the House that Congress should completed action on H.R. 854, Medicaid Safety Net Hospital Continued Preservation Act, or other provider reimbursement legislation before recessing. Representative Carson announced her intention to offer a privileged resolution expressing the sense of the House that Congress should complete action on the FY 2003 Transportation Appropriations with its allocation of \$1.2 billion for Amtrak.

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**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to rule appear on pages H6961–62.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Ten yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6930, H6930–31, H6931–32, H6952, H6952–53, H6953, H6955, H6957, H6959 and H6960–61. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

## ***Committee Meetings***

### **INVASIVE SPECIES**

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry held a hearing on Invasive Species. Testimony was heard from Scott Miller, Chairman, Department of Systematic Biology, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution; James Tate, Science Advisor to the Secretary, Department of the Interior; the following officials of the USDA: Dave Tenny, Deputy Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment; and James G. Butler, Deputy Under Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Pro-

grams; Jill T. Stevenson, Deputy Director, Fisheries Service, Department of Natural Resources, State of Maryland; Connie Riherd, Division of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

### **U.S. POLICY TOWARDS IRAQ**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Continued hearings on U.S. Policy towards Iraq. Testimony was heard from Eliot A. Cohen, Professor and Director, Strategic Studies, School of Advanced International Studies, John Hopkins University; and Michael E. O'Hanlon, Senior Fellow, The Brookings Institution.

### **RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF PATSY T. MINK**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Ordered reported H. J. Res. 113, recognizing the contributions of Patsy T. Mink.

### **MEDICAL DEVICE AMENDMENTS; CHILD SAFETY ENHANCEMENT ACT**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 3580, Medical Device Amendments of 2001; H.R. 5504, Child Safety Enhancement Act of 2002.

### **SAUDI ARABIA: AMERICANS KIDNAPPED**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing on "Americans Kidnapped to Saudi Arabia: Is the Saudi Government Responsible?" Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

### **RESOLUTION—AUTHORIZING USE OF U.S. ARMED FORCES AGAINST IRAQ**

*Committee on International Relations:* Began consideration of H.J. Res. 114, to authorize the use of United States Armed Forces against Iraq.

Will continue tomorrow.

### **CHILD ABDUCTION PREVENTION ACT; PROTECTION OF LAWFUL COMMERCE IN ARMS ACTS; PRIVATE RELIEF BILL**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 5422, Child Abduction Prevention Act; and H.R. 2037, Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Acts.

The Committee also approved a private relief bill.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE—REAFFIRMING ONE NATION UNDER GOD**

*Committee on Rules:* Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representative Nadler, but action was deferred on S. 2690, to reaffirm the reference to one Nation under God in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003**

*Committee on Rules:* Committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.J. Res. 112, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young and Representative Obey.

**FIRE SERVICES—MEETING NEEDS**

*Committee on Science:* Held a hearing on Meeting the Needs of the Fire Services: H.R. 3992, to establish the SAFER Firefighter Grant Program and H.R. 4548, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 with respect to firefighter assistance. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**PROVIDE FINANCIAL RELIEF—AIRLINE INDUSTRY—REFORM FAA**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 5506, Aviation Industry Stabilization and Reform Act of 2002.

**WOMEN VETERANS—VA'S CURRENT PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on VA's current programs for women veterans. Testimony was heard from Representative Wilson; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Robert H. Roswell, Under Secretary, Health; Irene Trowell-Harris, Director, Center for Women Veterans; Marsha L. Four, R.N., Chair, Advisory Committee on Women Veterans; Carole Turner, Director, Women Veterans Health Programs, Veterans Health Administration; Toni Lawrie, Coordinator, Women Veterans Clinic, VA Medical Center, Bay Pines, Florida; and Margaret Seaver, M.D., Director, Women's Veterans Health Care Program, VA Boston Health Care System; and public witnesses.

**BRIEFING—GLOBAL HOT SPOTS**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Global Hot Spots. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

**CIA COMPENSATION REFORM**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence met in executive session to hold

a hearing on CIA Compensation Reform. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

**COUNTERTERRORISM EFFORTS—EUROPEAN ALLIES' COOPERATION**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy and National Security met in executive session to hold a hearing on European Allies' Cooperation in the Counterterrorism Efforts. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

## *Joint Meetings*

**SECURING AMERICA'S FUTURE ENERGY ACT**

*Conferees* met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 4, to enhance energy conservation, research and development and to provide for security and diversity in the energy supply for the American people, but did not complete action thereon will continue on tomorrow.

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**NEW PUBLIC LAWS**

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST October 1, 2002, p. D1017)

H.R. 3880, to provide a temporary waiver from certain transportation conformity requirements and metropolitan transportation planning requirements under the Clean Air Act and under other laws for certain areas in New York where the planning offices and resources have been destroyed by acts of terrorism. Signed on October 1, 2002. (Public Law 107-230)

H.R. 4687, to provide for the establishment of investigative teams to assess building performance and emergency response and evacuation procedures in the wake of any building failure that has resulted in substantial loss of life or that posed significant potential of substantial loss of life. Signed on October 1, 2002. (Public Law 107-231)

H.R. 5157, to amend section 5307 of title 49, United States Code, to allow transit systems in urbanized areas that, for the first time, exceeded 200,000 in population according to the 2000 census to retain flexibility in the use of Federal transit formula grants in fiscal year 2003. Signed on October 1, 2002. (Public Law 107-232)

S. 2810, to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to extend the deadline for the INTELSAT initial public offering. Signed on October 1, 2002. (Public Law 107-233)

## NEW PRIVATE LAWS

(For last listing of Private Laws, see DAILY DIGEST July 18, 2001, p. D729)

S. 1834, for the relief of retired Sergeant First Class James D. Benoit and Wan Sook Benoit. Signed October 1, 2002. (Private Law 107-2)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,  
OCTOBER 3, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

## Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Nancy C. Pellett, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, 11 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold oversight hearings to examine the Administration's national money laundering strategy for 2002, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Armando J. Bucelo, Jr., of Florida, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation; Alberto Faustino Trevino, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Diana E. Furchtgott-Roth, of Maryland, to be a Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board; Carolyn Y. Peoples, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Deborah Doyle McWhinney, of California, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation; John M. Reich, of Virginia, to be Vice Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and Rafael Cuellar, of New Jersey, and Michael Scott, of North Carolina, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold oversight hearings to examine park overflight regulations, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine Title IX, the equal treatment of women in education focusing on the sciences, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine the final report produced by the President's Commission to Strengthen Social Security, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Richard Allan Roth, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Senegal, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea-Bissau; Joseph Huggins, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana; and Robin Renee Sanders, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Congo, 9 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Maura Ann Harty, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Consular Affairs; Kim R. Holmes, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs; Francis X. Taylor, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Diplomatic Security, and Director for the Office of Foreign Missions, with the rank of Ambassador; and Ellen R. Sauerbrey, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador on the Commission on the Status of Women of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to resume joint hearings with the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to examine events surrounding September 11, 2001, 10 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Bruce R. James, of Nevada, to be Public Printer, Government Printing Office, 9 a.m., SR-301.

## House

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* hearing on "The Rising Price of a Quality Postsecondary Education: Fact or Fiction," 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* hearing entitled "Reforming the Real Estate Settlement Procedure: Review of HUD's proposed RESPA Rule," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* to continue hearings on "Americans Kidnapped to Saudi Arabia: Is the Saudi Government Responsible?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing on "Responding to West Nile Virus: Public Health Implications and Federal Response," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management, and Intergovernmental Relations, hearing on "Disappearing Tax Dollars: What Changes Are Needed?" 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* to continue consideration of H.J. Res. 114, to authorize the use of United States Armed Forces against Iraq, time to be announced, 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources,* to mark up the following: H.R. 2202, Lower Yellowstone Reclamation Projects Conveyance Act; H.R. 4601, to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of Bureau of Land Management land in Douglas County, Oregon, to the county to improve management of and recreational access to the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area; H.R. 4912, to increase the penalties to be imposed for a violation of fire regulations applicable to the public lands, National Park System lands, or National Forest System lands when the violation results in damage to public or private property, to specify the purpose for which collected fines may be used; H.R. 5319, Healthy Forests Reform Act of 2002; H.R. 5399, Carpinteria and Montecito Water Distribution Systems Conveyance Act of 2002; H.R. 5460, Reclamation Recreation Management Act of 2002; and the Comprehensive Natural Resources Protection Act, 12 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the Coastal America program, and on the transfer of certain NOAA property to the Board of Trustees of the California State University, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Science*, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on the Threat of Near-Earth Asteroids, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, hearing entitled “CMS Regulation of Healthcare Services,” 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Medicare Payments for Currently Covered Prescription Drugs, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Conference*: meeting of conferees on H.R. 4, to enhance energy conservation, research and development and to provide for security and diversity in the energy supply for the American people, time to be announced, 2123 Rayburn Building.

*Joint Meetings*: Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, to resume joint hearings with the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to examine events surrounding September 11, 2001, 10 a.m., SH-216.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Thursday, October 3

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11:30 a.m.), Senate will resume consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2215, 21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act, with a vote to occur on the motion to close further debate on the conference report.

Also, upon disposition of the conference report on H.R. 2215 (listed above), Senate expects to resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 45, to authorize the use of United States Armed Forces against Iraq, with a vote to occur on the motion to close further debate on the resolution.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Thursday, October 3

## House Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Consideration of H.J. Res. 112, Further Continued Appropriations (closed rule, one hour of general debate).

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